

tional Palace. At the palace the opinion was freely expressed, not infrequently accompanied by sneers, that the United States never would intervene in Mexico.

Mr. Lind is fully cognizant of the delicate situation, and awaits with keen interest word from President Wilson and Secretary Bryan; but today he received only assurances that the President was interested in certain developments and a request for the continuance of his observations.

Mr. Lind expressed the view that this waiting policy would not be continued for many days. It is known here that he has recommended that all diplomatic negotiations with Mexico be terminated.

At the American embassy it is regarded as logical that Washington should be kept in the loop of all vital developments. This assumption is based on the Washington note to General Huerta, in which Huerta is assured that the United States will not intervene in Mexico until the American demands will result in President Wilson's applying to Congress for power to use stern methods and the threat to place a time limit on Huerta's continuance in office. It is considered that President Huerta's open note to the diplomats will make it impossible for Washington longer to withhold the exact character of the demands, which were made last week, and that this publicity will make some more definite step necessary immediately.

Opinion Widely Divergent.
Opinion in Mexico is widely divergent as to what Washington's attitude will be now. In some quarters it is thought that President Wilson may succeed in his intervention by means of recognition of the rebels by means of recognition of their belligerence, but he may issue a note to the powers, setting forth that hereafter the United States will regard Mexico as a nation existing nation and repudiate all her acts, whether allegedly legal or otherwise. Of these three courses, the Mexican officials move toward the latter two, realizing that neither would materially strengthen the rebel cause. Intervention, it is believed by a majority of those in the capital, foreign as well as Mexican, would be a more merciful and humane method of restoring order.

This argument is based by those who believe in the assumption that the Mexican government would bring into the capital a force sufficiently large to defend it for many weeks, and the rebels would include not only the elements of the army but also the thousands of adherents of Zapata, notorious for their cruelties and barbarism.

Although Mr. Lind appears not to have made any pronouncement today, the opinions of the British minister, Sir Lionel Carden, his relations with the German minister seem to be much more friendly. Sir Lionel Carden, the German minister, was the guest of Mr. Lind at luncheon today.

Warfare Without Quarter.
Laredo, Nov. 9.—Warfare without quarter with the Mexicans, armies burning and dynamiting all that seemed to stand in the way of victory, has been waged at Monterrey, Coahuila, between the Federal troops and the besieging Constitutionalists. Some of the unrelenting fierceness of the struggle, particularly in the engagements of October 23 and 24, is shown in the accompanying illustration. A large portion of the city is pictured in Selz-zag, an illustrated weekly published at Monterrey, copies of which reached Laredo today.

Major General Huerta, in the streets until a full in the fighting should afford time for his burning. A view of Ciudad Mier, near the National Railway Station, where the Constitutionalists' camp was destroyed by fire and cannonading. Numerous corpses are in the ruins.

General Miguel, whose residence was one of the houses in Northern Mexico, was burned to death when Constitutionalists destroyed the house by fire. The north facade of the government palace was shot away.

The total property loss was said to be incalculable. The railway lines claim their damage alone will approximate \$7,000,000. In the railroad yards the cars were burned. Many of them were loaded with merchandise. The roundhouse was completely destroyed with more than twenty engines.

No estimate was given of the loss of life, but it is known to have been heavy.

Another Plea for Delay.
[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] Mexico City, November 9.—President Huerta's program, as announced to the members of the diplomatic corps, in a statement formulated at last night's meeting of the cabinet, has another plea for delay and forbearance.

The statement embraces an elaborate defense of the Huerta administration, including the dissolution of Congress and the imprisonment of its members.

It is pointed out that the incoming Congress will set aside the recent election on the ground that the vote cast was not regular, which means that the present administration will continue in office, guaranteeing safety to the interests of all foreigners in the republic until a permanent government is elected.

Notwithstanding the report that President Huerta has delivered an ultimatum demanding that Huerta should resign within twenty-two hours, under pain of immediate intervention, the statement declares that the relations between the United States and Mexico have improved greatly.

The statement is obtainable today of the reported delivery of a message to the United States by Mr. Lind nor Mr. O'Shaughnessy would discuss the matter.

The Huerta statement is believed to be the final answer to the United States government, and it is believed to have been decided upon immediately after the extension of credit from some mysterious source, which made possible the payment of government employees ahead of time, and which has resulted in the banks putting a new stamp of approval on the government, relieving the situation, which has been threatening to paralyze business throughout the republic.

Reports of continued fighting are coming in from various sections. The German consul at Chihuahua reports that the town has been under fire for forty hours, but that the rebels, under Pancho Villa, have been worsted in these engagements.

Preparing to Leave Mexico.
Veracruz, Nov. 9.—Scores of interior points, and are preparing to leave Mexico in anticipation of intervention. These arrivals report peaceful conditions in the republic to be better than at any time in the past five years, and all hope for intervention under the present regime has been abandoned.

Inhabitants of Vera Cruz have become accustomed to the presence of the American battleships in the harbor, and the feeling of antagonism has been changed to one of almost friendship. The latter sentiment is based on the fact that the United States is not only out of the channel of intervention, but also that the United States is also felt that the presence of the American vessels is protective of the coast from possible conquest by a foreign nation.

It is also claimed that the present stand taken by the United States has caused the powers at Mexico City to change their dilatory tactics because they feel that the United States will not tolerate intervention.

The merchants here have refused to accept bank bills in exchange for silver.

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resulted. The police interference today

from the proprietor of the leading coffee

house offered to accept a bank bill

at a 10 per cent discount.

The newspapers have taken up the

issue and demand that steps be taken

immediately to prevent a panic. The

large drainage of silver for export is

now being felt. Silver pesos are quite

rare here at present and many are

holding onto the last coinage in the

belief that it will become a valuable

souvenir.

Wilson's Policy Criticized.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.]

Berlin, November 9.—The socialist

Lokel Anzeiger, commenting upon

Germany's action of sending two dread-

noughts to South America today,

views the conduct of the German

movement is intended to strengthen

German influence and prestige in

Argentina, Brazil and Chile, where

German residents are about to organize

large colonies and other schemes.

The paper again criticizes

President Wilson's position on the Mexican

situation as "visionary and most

dangerous." It says:

"Such a failure not uncommon in

history. But it has been found that

other nations must always pay the

costs of such comedy, in the form of

loss of property and frequently lives.

The destroying of property, however,

is not the only loss. International

confidence is also being destroyed under

the present situation."

Discusses Mexican Situation.

London, November 9.—Mikhail

Covarrubias, who recently resigned

Mexican minister to Russia because

of his sympathy with President

Huerta's policy, delivered a two-column

statement of the Mexican situation to the

Daily Telegraph.

Senor Covarrubias declares the elec-

tion of the present administration was

the glorious dawn of democracy in

Mexico, and that at present nothing

could be more absurd than the idea

of Mexico again submitting to a mili-

tary dictatorship.

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